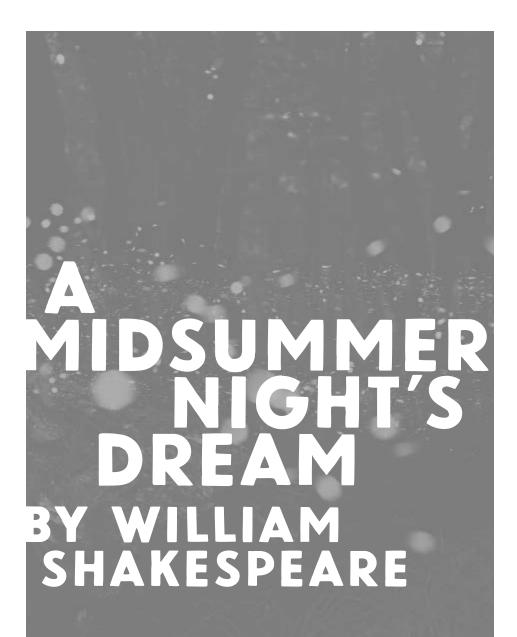
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A MIDSUMMER **NIGHT'S DREAM**

By William Shakespeare

WITH (in alphabetical order)

Yelena Akopian Haley Spence Brown Reed Campbell Antonio Chicco Justin Chien Samantha Dammeyer David Phillip Fishman Ali Gallo Marc Hills Alison Jave Horowitz Parker Huseby Kyra-Michelle Jacobs Joelle Jacoby Camron Jones Natasha Liu Eduardo Maruri Aubrey Rhodes Sydney Skidmore Andrew Teplitz Graham Vines Patrick Wallace Brandon Warfield Isabelle Yamin Eva Zakula

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SOUND DESIGN

STAGE MANAGER Briana Billups Caroline Johnson

> DIRECTED BY Jeanette Harrison

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CAST OF CHARACTERS (in order of appearance)

Theseus David Phillip Fishman

Hippolyta Samantha Dammeyer

Philostrate Natasha Liu

Egeus Patrick Wallace

Court attendants

Antonio Chicco, Reed Campbell, Marc Hills, Eduardo Maruri, Graham Vines, Isabelle Yamin

Hermia Joelle Jacoby

Lysander Camron Jones

Demetrius Andrew Teplitz Helena Haley Spence Brown

Quince Alison Jaye Horowitz

Snug Yelena Akopian

Flute Marc Hills

Snout Reed Campbell

Starveling Graham Vines

Bottom Eva Zakula

Other Mechanicals Antonio Chicco, Isabelle Yamin

Puck Sydney Skidmore

Cobweb Antonio Chicco **Mustardseed** Eduardo Maruri

Peaseblossom Isabelle Yamin

Moth Patrick Wallace

Cobweb's Little Brother David Phillip Fishman

Titania Ali Gallo, Parker Huseby, Aubrey Rhodes

Oberon Justin Chien, Kyra-Michelle Jacobs, Brandon Warfield

Oberon fairies Samantha Dammeyer, Alison Jaye Horowitz, Natasha Liu

There will be one 10-minute intermission.

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

A Midsummer Night's Dream weaves three worlds together—a rigid, court world, where patriarchy dominates and brides can be forced—the dark woods, the domain of fairies who meddle in human affairs and take away our free will, and where anything goes—and the working class world of the mechanicals, which bridges the other two worlds. From too many rules and restrictions, which even the Duke chafes at, to a forest of chaos, Shakespeare uses humor to encourage us to find that balance between personal freedom/chaos and consideration of others/ restrictive social mores.

DIRECTOR'S BIO

Jeanette Harrison most recently directed the multi-Theatre Bay Area Award-winning production of The Amen Corner with AlterTheater Ensemble. Also with AlterTheater, she co-directed with Ann Brebner the world premiere of Landless by Larissa FastHorse (winner, 2016 Pen Literary Award, for best new play written west of the Mississippi) and The River Bride by Marisela Treviño Orta (co-winner of the National Latino Playwriting Award), both of which were developed under her guidance in AlterTheater's yearlong playwright residency program, AlterLab, and produced in association with San Francisco's American Conservatory Theater. Trained in Denver and in Chicago, where she studied with renowned Shakespearean scholar David Bevington, she's spent most of her professional life in San Francisco, working at Berkeley Rep, Magic Theatre, Aurora Theatre, Cutting Ball Theatre, San Francisco Shakespeare Festival, California Shakespeare Theater, among others. She recently co-wrote a pilot with Sharmila Devar, Feathers and Dots, Dots and Feathers. Up next: the world premiere of Princess Grace semi-finalist Bondage by Star Finch.

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A Midsummer Night's Dream

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Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches

By Tony Kushner Directed by John Rubinstein

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By Paula Cizmar Based on the play by Sophocles Directed by Anita Dashiell-Sparks

The Rivals

By Richard Brinsley Sheridan Directed by Andy Robinson **BT** Feb 23-26, 2017

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By A. Rey Pamatmat, Dan O'Brien, Dominique Morisseau, Mona Mansour, Winter Miller, Marcus Gardley, Tala Manassah, Quetzal Flores Directed by Shirley Jo Finney **SDT** March 30-April 2, 2017

Evita

Lyrics by Tim Rice Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber Directed by Tim Dang **BT** March 30- April 9, 2017

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By Anne Washburn Score by Michael Friedman Lyrics by Anne Washburn Directed by John DeMita **SDT** April 20-23, 2017

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